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1. UNDERSTAND FROM FRENCH EMBASSY THAT POLITICAL COUNSELOR GUYOT OF THEIR EMBASSY RABAT NOW HERE TRYING ASCERTAIN FROM ALGERIANS AND POLISARIO FATE HIS CHILDREN. HE SAW SLIMANE HOFFMAN, COUNSELOR AT THE PRESIDENCY RESPONSIBLE FOR LIBERATION MOVEMENTS, JANUARY 28 AND FOUND HIM OUTWARDLY, AT LEAST, VERY SYMPATHETIC. HOFFMAN SAID HE WOULD INSTRUCT BABA MISKE, POLIARIO PERENNIAL, TELL GUYOT WHATEVER POLISARIO KNEW. MISKE APPEARED IN TEME AND GAVE FOLLOWING ACCOUNT.

2. POLISARIO HAD ATTACKED MOROCCAN MILITARY CONVOY AND THEN DISPERSED WITHOUT WAITING TO SEE WHAT CASUALTIES WERE. THEY HAD TAKEN WITH THEM, HOWEVER, BODY OF MOROCCAN CAPTAIN WHO HAD BEEN TRAVELING IN VOLKSWAGEN IN CONVOY AND ON WHOSE BODY THEY HAD FOUND ID CARD OF GUYOT'S SON. THAT WAS ALL THEY KNEW.

3. MISKE STORY PLAUSIBLE, BUT FRENCH HAVE SUBSEQUENTLY HEARD OTHER, CONFLICTING REPORTS FROM POLISARIO AND QUITE UNCERTAIN AS TO TRUTH OF MATTER.

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4. COMMENT: SEEMS UNLIKELY POLISARIO,
DISPERSING AFTER ENGAGEMENT OF THIS SORT, WOULD BURDEN
ITSELF WITH SPARE CORPSE.PARKER

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